

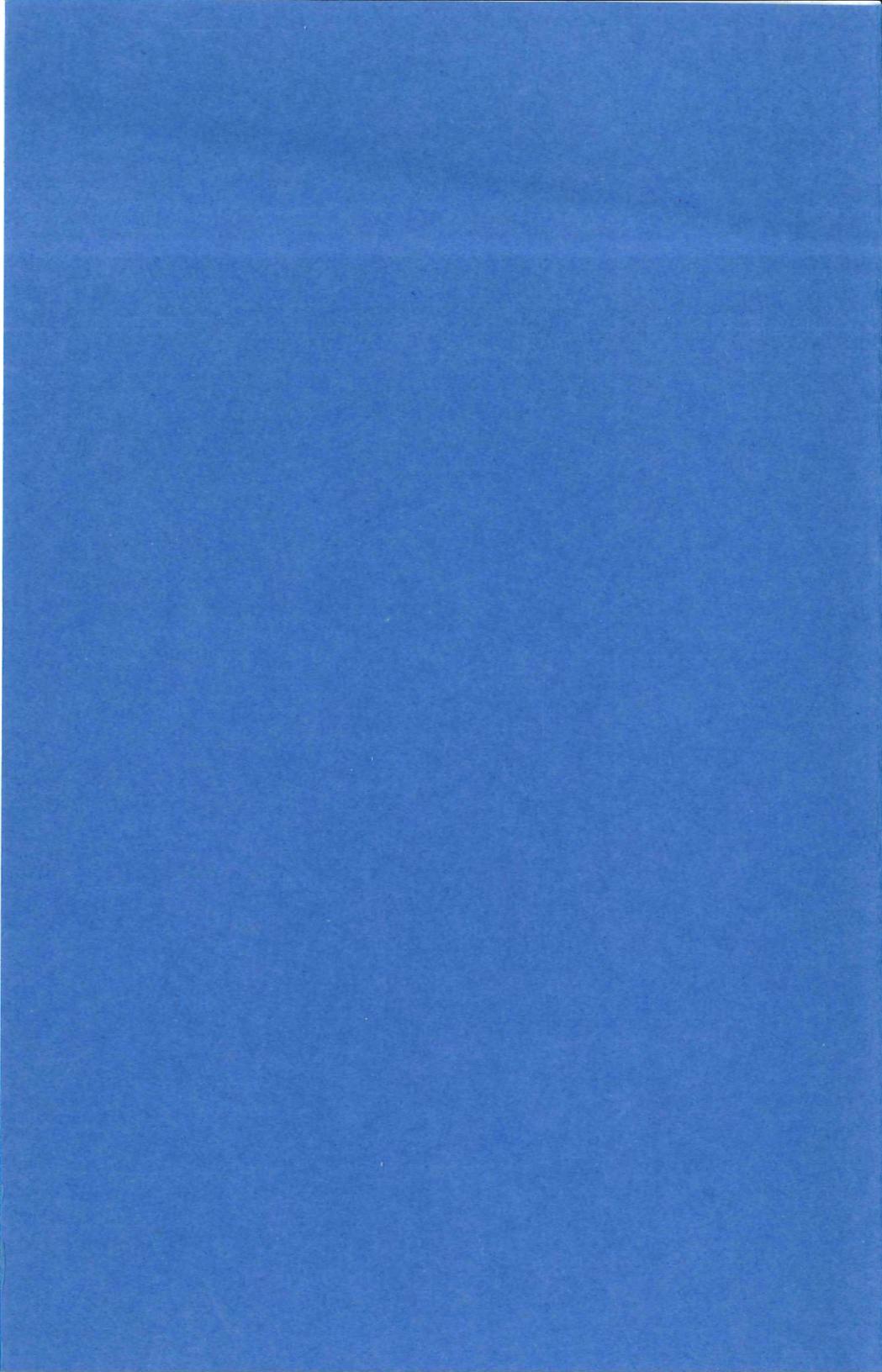
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**1970-1971**

**DESALES HIGH SCHOOL**

**LOCKPORT, N.Y.**



## HISTORY

DeSales High School was founded by Bishop O'Hara in 1946. At that time the bishop asked the Oblates of Saint Francis de Sales to administer the school.

The first graduating class, which recently celebrated its twentieth anniversary with a reunion, has memories of having classes those first years in the present faculty house, an old mansion once owned by the Harrison Family. The new school building was completed in 1948.

In 1957 a new era began for DeSales when the girls from St. Joseph's Academy and their teachers, the Sisters of St. Mary Namur, joined in a co-institutional school. The girls moved into an addition to the original structure and the enrollment reached its peak of nearly six hundred students.

Over the years the religious and laity on the faculty were bolstered by the coming first of the Franciscan Sisters of the Divine Child and then of the Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and 1968 saw the change to co-education, an arrangement that has proven more effective and more economical.

Now there are twenty-six faculty members - nine Oblates, seven sisters, five laywomen and five laymen.

DeSales has a proud heritage of outstanding students, of athletic championships and of memorable dramatic productions, a heritage shown most vividly in its alumni who are successes in their religion and in their vocations, and a heritage DeSales is determined to continue.

## PHILOSOPHY

DeSales High School exists for the development of the whole person in the various aspects of his nature - spiritual, intellectual, psychological, social and physical. This development is accomplished through participation in a community which provides the atmosphere, example, theory and action for the individual's growth.

DeSales High School then is primarily a community based on the Christian principles of fraternal charity, mutual respect and mutual help. Its purpose is to form a good Christian, one equipped to lead a happy and fruitful life on this earth and in eternity. Such a person develops from imitating Christ in helping others to grow, from sharing oneself with others in the school activities - and, in turn, being influenced and helped by the DeSales community of faculty, students, parents and alumni.

The principal and faculty assume the responsibility for

providing the atmosphere, showing the example, teaching the theory and initiating the action conducive to spur the individual's growth in the community.

So the objective of DeSales High School is to offer an education that covers the whole nature of man, an education provided in and by the entire school community. The program for this education is outlined below.

#### RELIGIOUS LIFE

1. The Mass is the center of the community life of DeSales. The unity and charity resulting from a student body and faculty praying together should continue in classroom activity and into extra-curriculars. On occasion Masses are celebrated by the whole school and at other times by a single religion class or common interest group.
2. The sacraments challenge us to imitate in our lives the reality signified by their clear and simple signs, i.e. the openness and generosity of Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Brother. There is an opportunity to participate in the Sacrament of Penance in the school chapel at 8:10 every morning. Also a brief Communion service is held every day at the beginning of each lunch period.
3. The priests of the faculty are available at any time to hear Confessions and to help students with spiritual guidance.
4. The annual retreat is the time at DeSales to strengthen one's relationship with God and with the neighbor.
5. Students are asked to report the death of a close relative to the school office. Because we are a family at DeSales, we would like to show our concern and solidarity at such a time by praying for the deceased and by attending the wake and funeral. This concern and solidarity expressed through prayer and visiting the hospital would also apply to the sick in our families.

#### CURRICULUM

1. Graduation requirements:

A student needs eighteen credits (final passing marks) to graduate from DeSales. These are the courses in which a credit must be achieved:

Religion - two credits	Health, biology - one credit
English - four credits	Major field (business, lang, etc.) - three credits
History - three credits	Science - one credit
Math - one credit	Electives - two to four credits

Note: the religion course is worth one half credit per year or two credits for four years.

2. A Regents High School Diploma is awarded for completing the above requirements plus the following:

- a) passing the English Comprehensive Regents Exam
- b) passing the Social Studies Regents Exam
- c) passing a Regents Exam given in any one of the sequences—business, foreign language, mathematics or science

3. Course offerings:

Freshman Year

Required:

- Religion
- English
- Math
- Science (I.P.S.)
- Afro-Asian Culture
- Physical Education

Electives:

- Language
- Typing I
- Developmental Reading

Sophomore Year

Required:

- Religion
- English
- European Culture
- Science (biology)
- Physical Education

Electives:

- Math
- Language
- Typing I
- Personal Typing
- Business
- Developmental Reading
- Data Processing

Junior Year

Required:

- Religion
- English
- American History
- Physical Education

Electives:

- Math
- Science
- Language
- Business
- Personal Typing
- Public Speaking
- Developmental Reading
- Data Processing
- Computer Programming

Senior Year

Required:

- Religion
- English
- Social Studies
- Physical Education

Electives:

- Math
- Science
- Language
- Business
- Humanities
- Public Speaking
- Personal Typing
- Data Processing
- Computer Programming

4. Honor Roll

An average of ninety or above merits First Honors.

An average of eighty-five or above merits Second Honors.

5. Grading System

Report cards show two grades for each course, a numerical grade to evaluate class work and a letter grade to evaluate effort. The latter indicates the teacher's appraisal of how well the student's work corresponds to his ability.

## **EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

### **1. Method of conducting activities**

Student leaders who are planning an activity should first discuss the arrangements with their faculty moderator. When they have secured the moderator's permission and cooperation, the student leaders should then consult with the Coordinator of Activities, a faculty member who oversees the school calendar. The Coordinator will help them avoid conflicts in dates or the use of facilities.

Plans for the activity should be made at least ten days in advance so that an announcement can appear in the weekly bulletin distributed to the student body. If the leaders want to publicize their extra-curricular during the home room period, they should present a written release to the office. This release must be signed by the moderator and submitted a day in advance.

### **2. Eligibility**

Any student who fails two or more subjects during a marking period must appear before the Academic Board which tries to find the reason for the failures and offers guidance for improvement. Then the student is given a three week trial period during which he may participate in activities. When the three week trial ends, the Board consults with the student's teachers and if sufficient improvement has been made, he is declared eligible for extra-curriculars. If no improvement is seen in his work, the student may not participate in activities offered by the school for the remainder of that marking period.

### **3. Importance of extra-curriculars**

The extra-curricular activities are an integral part of the educational process at DeSales. Character development in such qualities as patience, loyalty, leadership, generosity and perseverance comes from sharing in the organization and running of group activities. A student whose involvement in DeSales is limited to the classroom is missing much of what the school has to offer.

### **4. The particular activities**

Student Council	Athletics	
Honor Society	Boys:	Girls:
Dramatics	Football	Volleyball
Cheerleaders	Golf	Badminton
Literary Organizations:		Cross Country
The Lance	Basketball	Basketball
The Knight	Wrestling	Bowling
The Voice	Baseball	Intramural
	Sports	
Clubs:		
Share	Future Secretaries	Varsity Club
French Club	Senior Discussion Club	Girls Ath. Assoc.

## DISCIPLINE

Respect, consideration and cooperation should characterize the relationships at DeSales. In maintaining an atmosphere of this kind, the faculty advocates self-discipline, an awareness of one's responsibilities in the school community.

As deterrents to safeguard the good order of the school and the rights of all, the school makes a minimum of restrictions in regard to the following:

1. Unexcused absence from school
2. Lateness
3. Disobedience of or disrespect for a faculty member
4. Destruction, defacing or littering of school property
5. Disregard of the dress code
6. Smoking on school property
7. Careless driving in the parking lot or on the streets surrounding the school
8. Failure to bring a written, excuse signed by a parent after an absence
9. Drinking any alcoholic beverage on school property or at any school sponsored event. Any violation of this rule will result in suspension.

### Notes on discipline:

Detention is given for violations of these restrictions. The purpose of detention is to remind the student that his behavior has wasted the time of himself, or of his teachers, or of other students.

Suspension is given for a major infraction such as drinking alcoholic beverages or cutting school. Before a suspended student may regain good standing, he and his parents must consult with the disciplinarian to resolve the problem.

### The Dress Code:

Boys will wear a sportscoat or suitcoat, a dress shirt, tie, slacks, shoes and socks. Their hair should be well groomed and neat.

Girls will wear the newly adopted uniform or the uniform worn in past years. They should dress modestly.

### Absences:

Success in class work necessitates that the student never be unjustifiably absent from school. Appointments with doctors and dentists should be made for after school hours or for free days, whenever possible. After an absence, a note stating the reason and signed by a parent must be submitted to the office on the student's first day back to school.

A student late for class should report to the office for a late slip which will admit him to class.

NOTE: attendance, tardiness and discipline records are made available to prospective colleges and employers.

#### **GUIDANCE**

The Guidance Department serves the student body by offering occupational, college and personal guidance. Every student is scheduled for an interview with a guidance counselor during the school year. In addition, students are free to meet with a counselor at any time except during their class periods.

Our Guidance Department administers the following tests:

1. S.T.S. Placement Test - (measures the ability and achievement of incoming freshmen for the purpose of course selection and sectioning)
2. Otis Quick Scoring I.Q. Test - ability - freshmen
3. T.A.P. - Test of Academic Progress - achievement - sophomores
4. P.S.A.T. - Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test - ability - juniors
5. Kuder Preference Exam - juniors
6. National Merit Exam - achievement - seniors

Guidance records are used only in the best interest of the individual. They are used to present evaluation reports to colleges and business firms, to give parents information about their son's or daughter's ability and achievement, as well as to guide the student in his academic life at DeSales.

#### **TUITION**

DeSales is a diocesan high school. The priests, sisters and lay teachers administer the school according to policies set down by the Diocesan Office of Education. The tuition rate is a policy standard for the twenty-one high schools in the Diocese of Buffalo. The following is the statement about tuition from the handbook on Catholic Secondary Education.

"Since the beginning of the Diocesan secondary school program, the parish has regularly contributed towards the cost of a child's high school education. However, parents who are financially able to do so are encouraged to assume the entire cost of \$400 a year. For those families unable to pay the entire cost, the parish will continue to contribute, so that the ordinary method of payment would be:

TUITION FROM STUDENT ..... \$35 per month (\$350 per year)  
PARISH CONTRIBUTION ..... \$5 per month (\$50 per year)

"To prevent any undue burden falling upon large families, a lower tuition will be charged when two or more children from the same family attend a diocesan high school.

Two children...\$32.50 each per month...\$7.50 per month parish  
Three children...\$30 each per month...\$10 per month parish  
Four children...\$27.50 each per month...\$12.50 per month par.

"We would like to emphasize, however, that no child will be excluded because of inability to pay the tuition. If parent foresee any difficulties in meeting payments, arrangements should be made through the principal of the school. The diocesan high schools are intended to and want to educate your child."

Fees:

Activity Fee - \$15 - (library, school insurance, publications, athletics, office, etc.)

Science Fee - \$5 - for those taking a science laboratory

Typing Fee - \$5 - for those taking Typing I

Personal Typing Fee - \$3 - for those in the course

Art Fee - \$5

Graduation Fee - \$25 - for seniors only

THE PATRON

The patron saint of DeSales High School is St. Francis de Sales, commonly called the "Gentleman Saint." He earned this title as Bishop of Geneva, Switzerland, in the late Sixteenth Century. In confronting heresy in his diocese, St. Francis exercised firmness and zeal coupled with charity and gentleness, a combination which won many people back to the Church

St. Francis de Sales is one of history's foremost spiritual writers. The Treatise on the Love of God, as well as the Introduction to a Devout Life, are monumental works, attesting to his brilliant eloquence and to his learning and virtue. The latter book is the third best seller of all time.

While Francis was a young student at the University of Padua he wrote a set of rules to govern his own conduct. These "Rules of Padua" are quoted below to serve as a guide for the students of DeSales High School.

1. I shall never disdain meeting any person whatsoever nor even give any indication of wishing to avoid meeting him.
2. I shall take care neither to criticize nor irritate nor make a fool of any person. It is a mark of sheer stupidity to think of making sport of those who have absolutely no reason to endure such treatment from me.
3. I shall show a deep respect for all, observing every rule of courtesy.
4. I shall limit my personal friendships to a few good persons of unimpeachable character, since it is extremely difficult to derive benefit from too many personal friendships or to avoid the bad effects that stem from evil companionship or to maintain a good reputation unless one's associates are beyond reproach.
5. In all circumstances, I must use judgement and prudence, for there is no rule, however general, which does not have some exception, unless it is this one: Nothing against God

NOTES ON SCHOOL LIFE

1. The school community includes the Mothers' club, the Boosters' Club and the Alumni Association. People in these organizations share an interest in the development of DeSales students and also share in the spiritual and social life of the school.
2. Students should feel free to ask a faculty member for help in the way of tutoring or guidance. A teacher may arrange for a student tutor, if preferable.
3. The school symbol, the Knight, was chosen because it denotes Christian dedication to a cause, loyalty and bravery tempered by gentleness. These virtues should distinguish the Knights of DeSales in their relationships with one another and with outsiders.
4. Knights practice sportsmanship in their rivalries with other schools. They fight hard with a keen desire to win. But throughout the contest they are courteous to their opponents and the officials, never allowing themselves to show anger and derision. They are modest winners and gracious losers.
5. Because of the perilous economic situation at DeSales, as at other schools, bingo has become the lifeline of our school. Proceeds from bingo pay for visual aids, library books and other materials the school would otherwise not be able to afford. Those interested in the school can help by attending bingo on Friday evenings at eight o'clock and by inviting their friends to play.
6. The school office is open throughout the year. Hours during the school session are from eight to four; during the summer months hours are from nine to three.
7. On winter days when heavy snow endangers bus transportation, an announcement about the closing of DeSales will be made on the local radio station WUSJ, as well as on the Buffalo stations WBEN, WKBW, and WEBR.
8. The school cafeteria serves hot lunches every day. For the sake of good manners and consideration of others, students are reminded to keep the cafeteria clean. After their lunch, they may go outside but should congregate on the new section of the parking lot.
9. The library is open during school hours and after school until 3:15 p.m. Books are borrowed for a two week period. A fine of two cents per day is charged for overdue books.

CALENDAR FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 1970-1971

SEPTEMBER

- 8 - Freshman Orientation - Faculty Meeting
- 9 - School reopens - Mass of the Holy Spirit
- 12 - Student Council Dance
- 16 - Golf against Gibbons
- 18 - Color Day - Assembly - Golf against St. Francis
- 19 - Football against Akron - away
- 21 - Golf against Diocesan Prep.
- 22 - College Night
- 24 - Student Council Elections
- 25 - Golf against St. Mary's of Lancaster
- 27 - Football against Walsh - home
- 28 - Golf against Father Baker

OCTOBER

- 2 - Ring Mass - Cross Country and Golf against Notre Dame
- 3 - Ring Dance
- 4 - Football against St. Mary's of Lancaster - home
- 5 - Golf against Mindzenty
- 7 - Regents Scholarship Exam - Seniors
- 9 - Cross Country - Football against Father Baker - away
- 12 - Diocesan Purchasing Education Day - Columbus Day - Free
- 16 - Cross Country
- 17 - Homecoming Weekend - Dance
- 18 - Homecoming Weekend - Football against Mindzenty - home
- 20 - Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test - Juniors
- 23 - Cross Country
- 25 - Football against Gibbons - home
- 29 - Cross Country All-Catholic Meet - 4:15
- 31 - Cross Country Freshman Meet - 10:00 Football against Notre Dame - away

NOVEMBER

- 7 - Football against St. Francis - away
- 11 - Veterans' Day - Free
- 12 - First Quarter Ends
- 14 - Fall Play
- 15 - Fall Play
- 25 - Student Council Dance
- 26 - Thanksgiving Recess

DECEMBER

- 4 - Assembly -Basketball against Roy Hart - away
- 7 - Career Day
- 8 - Feast of the Immaculate Conception - Free
- 9 - Basketball against Diocesan Prep. - away
- 17 - Basketball against St. Mary's of the Deaf - home
- 20 - Basketball against Mindzenty - away

DECEMBER

22 - Christmas Assembly - Dance - Christmas vacation begins  
23 - Basketball against St. Mary's of Lancaster - away

JANUARY

4 - School resumes  
5 - Basketball against Roy Hart - home  
7 - Basketball against Gibbons - home  
13 - Basketball against Notre Dame - home  
17 - Basketball against Walsh - home  
18 - Otis Exam - Freshmen  
22 - Basketball against Father Baker - away  
24 - Basketball against St. Francis - away  
25 - Regents Exams  
26 - Regents Exams  
27 - Basketball against St. Mary's of Lancaster - home  
29 - Second Quarter Ends - Feast of St. Francis de Sales - Free

FEBRUARY

1 - Basketball against Diocesan Prep. - home  
10 - Basketball against St. Mary's of the Deaf - away  
14 - Dance - Basketball against Mindzenty - home  
15 - Patriots Day - Free  
20 - Play  
21 - Play - Basketball against Gibbons - away

MARCH

1 - Kuder Preference Exam - Juniors  
9 - Math Association Exam  
13 - Class Night

APRIL

2 - Third Quarter Ends  
7 - Student Schedule Day - Easter Vacation Begins  
19 - School Resumes - Sophomore Test (T.A.P.)  
20 - Sophomore Test (T.A.P.)

MAY

1 - 200 Club Dinner  
10 - Camera Day  
20 - Ascension Thursday - Free - Press Day  
22 - Musical  
23 - Musical  
29 - Musical  
30 - Musical  
31 - Musical

## JUNE

- 11 - Student Council Elections - Field Day
- 16 - School Exams
- 17 - School Exams
- 18 - School Exams
- Regents Exams - June 18, 21-24
- 25 - School Year Closes

\*This calendar is subject to revision and completion.

## ALMA MATER

We salute the Alma Mater,  
Hail to thee, DeSales Catholic High.  
We will always sing thy praises  
Wherever thy banners fly.

Our faith in thee will never falter,  
Our loyalty will never wane.  
We pledge our honor Knights forever,  
Valiant DeSales of lasting fame.

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## FACULTY PERSONNEL

Principal - Rev. Elmer Orosz

Vice-principals - Sister Eileen

Rev. Richard Nelson

Dean of Students - Rev. Francis Schimscheiner

### Guidance Counselors - Sister Francis

Rev. Richard Nelson

Rev. James Boston

**Coordinator of Activities - Rev.**

Athletic Director - Mr. Les Dugan

## STUDENT PERSONNEL

Student Council Officers - John Bewley and Nancy Van Cott  
Honor Society Officers - Peter Kleemann and Thomas Giansante  
Yearbook Editors - David Smith and Elizabeth Brady

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Yearbook Editor - Tim McLean

Newspaper Editor - Thomas Mauri

Football Co-captains - Carl Cran

## **Cheerleader Captains**

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Junior Varsity - Kathy Wick and Cynthia

Chapman

Van Cott

Future Secretaries President - Nancy Van Cott

